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In response to reftel points calling for Kuwaiti recognition of Kosovo, MFA International Organizations Deputy Director Dr. Hamad Bou Rahma told A/POLCOUNS on December 16 that the GOK would "continue to align itself with the GCC," i.e., no decision on recognition has been taken. Bou Rahma justified fellow GCC member UAE's recognition of Kosovo by noting the presence of Emirati troops there.

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